Introduced by Assembly Member Arambula

February 22, 2005

An act relating to housing.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 1301, as introduced, Arambula. Housing.

Existing law makes the Department of Housing and Community Development responsible for the administration of the state's allocation of federal funds that are received pursuant to the HOME Investment Partnership Act as enacted in Title II of the Cranston–Gonzales National Affordable Housing Act. Existing law requires the department to adopt regulations that set forth procedures and program standards, for the combined use of HOME and state funds, that are compatible and consistent with both federal and state law.

Existing law requires the Department of Housing and Community Development to establish the Joe Serna, Jr., Farmworker Housing Grant Program under which, subject to the availability of funds therefor, grants or loans, or both, are made to local public entities, nonprofit corporations, and limited partnerships, for the cost of acquiring the land and any building thereon, for the construction or rehabilitation of housing for agricultural employees and their families.

This bill would state the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation that will allow the temporary housing needs of the farmworkers and their families who are displaced due to the Westside Land Retirement Program to be met through the HOME Investment Partnership Program and that will amend the Joe Serna, Jr., Farmworker Housing Grant Program to address their permanent housing needs.

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Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

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- 3 farmworkers and their families who are displaced due to the
- 4 Westside Land Retirement Program to be met through the
- 5 HOME Investment Partnership Program and that will amend the
- 6 Joe Serna, Jr., Farmworker Housing Grant Program to address
- 7 their permanent housing needs.